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January 27, 1992

Mr. Frank Wicks
Vice President and General Manager
Barrick Mercur Gold Mine
P.O. Box 838
Tooele, UT 84704

RE: Dump Leach No. 3: 2-D Ground Water Flow
Model and Extension to Operate, Ground Water
Discharge Permit No. UGW450001.

Dear Mr. Wicks:

This letter is to inform you of our anticipated schedule for review of the 2-D Modeling Results report for Dump Leach No. 3, submitted August 30, 1991.

Based on our current workload and available staff, we anticipate the review will be completed in the next 90 days.

As discussed in our July 30, 1991 letter the authorization to operate was to be established on a step-by-step basis as progress is made on the agreed upon work schedule. Because Barrick has been responsive in meeting their part of the schedule, we will authorize continued operation of Dump No. 3. *This letter constitutes authorization to operate until April 30, 1992.*

After this date, authorization for further operation of Dump No. 3 will be determined contingent upon continued progress with the work schedule.

We apologize for any inconvenience this delay may have caused. If you have any questions or comments, please call Loren Morton at 538-6146.

Sincerely,

Utah Water Quality Board

Don A. Ostler, P.E.
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